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OVERSEAS TICKER

TOKYO

Masterminded by *Gene* and Julie *Zenier*, Italian Night was held at the Tokyo Press Club. The list of credits read by Master of Ceremonies *Stuart Griffin*, *Journal of Commerce*, included Pan American Airways for flying the chef from Sicily to cook spaghetti, pizza and Chicken Cacciatore. Also on the list were Marquis Cristoforo Fracassi, Italy's Ambassador to Japan; Opera Impresario Yoshie Fujiwara; and Major Seth Lurie, FEAF, PIO Staff.

The party featured Japan's popular Calypso songstress, Michiko Hamamura. AP's photo chief George Sweers and the newly-named Far East correspondent of Wall Street Journal, Igor Oganesoff teamed up to write songs for her which may make the U.S. big-time if Michiko sings in New York in the fall.

Bob Pierpoint, CBS, will soon be moving out to the States as Pete Kalischer arrives to take over the radio work. Wade Bingham continues as CBS photographer.

Earnie Hoberecht has been busy ushering in the UP's fifty-first year of service...he was around for a dozen of the first fifty, now as vice president and general manager for Asia. On hand to help blow out the birthday candles was Ted Scripps, the young vice president of the E.W. Scripps Company which is the majority share-holder of the UP Association.

Bob Trumbull and his wife, Jean, have departed on their round-the-world trip. The N.Y. Times bureau chief and (Continued on page 2)

Club Calendar

Tues., July 16 — Opening of Photo Exhibit — Colored photos of Western U.S. Directed by Grant Burden, Union Pacific Railroad. Also, President Cecil Brown tells of his trip to Russia. Cocktails, 6:00 p.m., buffet supper. (See story, p. 3).

Wed., July 17 - All-day outing at West Point. Reservations, \$3.00 at OPC. (See story, p. 3.)

Tues., July 23 - Open House - Details to be announced.

NBC NEWS NAMES HARSCH EUROPEAN CHIEF



JOSEPH C. HARSCH



FRANK BOURGHOLTZER

BOARD VOTES MEDAL TO MRS. ROOSEVELT

The Board of Governors at its meeting on Monday evening passed a resolution honoring Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt with honorary membership in the Overseas Press Club. She will receive a gold membership card or disc.

The resolution specified that the widow of former President Roosevelt be recognized, on a date near her forthcoming seventy-second birthday, for overseas work in preparing her regular newspaper column.

The Television-Radio Committee, with *Charles Robbins* reporting for Chairman *Matthew Huttner*, reported that Talent Associates, Inc., a prominent package agency, has expressed interest in a proposed spectacular. Further

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NEW VIENNA BUREAU OPENS; SOME CORRESPONDENTS SHIFT

NBC News is opening a new bureau in Vienna and Joseph C. Harsch has been named the network's senior European correspondent, William R. McAndrew, director of news, announced this week.

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The moves are part of a general reorganization of NBC's overseas correspondent assignments to further its program of expanding its foreign news coverage.

Joseph C. Harsch, veteran NBC correspondent-commentator and for twenty-eight years staff writer and columnist for The Christian Science Monitor, will take over as London bureau chief and senior European correspondent.

He has been Christian Science Monitor correspondent in Rome, London, Paris, Berlin and the South Pacific and made the first NBC broadcast from Copenhagen on the night after the German occupation of Denmark in 1940. He is author of Pattern of Conquest and The Curtain Isn't Iron and in 1952 won the duPont Commentator Award. He will continue to do special articles for The Monitor.

Frank Bourgholtzer, formerly chief of NBC's Bonn bureau, will move to the new Vienna bureau as Central European chief. McAndrew said that because of its location, Vienna is a valuable listening post in Central Europeand offers a better transportation point than Bonn.

Bourgholtzer began his newspaper career in Indiana and later was Washington correspondent for the *Wall Street Journal*. He joined NBC in 1946 and was the network's White House correspondent for five years. In 1953 NBC sent him to France to head their Paris bureau and in 1955 he took over as chief of NBC bureaus in Germany.

In another change effective immediately, *Ed Newman*, formerly head of the London bureau, was transferred to Rome as chief of the Mediterranean area. A former free-lance correspondent in the U.S. and Europe, he joined NBC's London staff in 1952 and became bureau chief in 1956.

John Rich, who spent ten years as a correspondent in the Far East, is leaving NBC News in New York to take over the

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his wife expect to return in the fall.

Sales of Stuart Griffin's cook book, Japanese Cooking and Eating, have passed the 2,500 mark, high for a cook book says his publisher, Charles E. Tuttle. The book is available in the U.S. in both hard and soft cover editions.

Barry Faris, editor-in-chief of INS, who is visiting here, obtained the first exclusive interview with Japan's Prime Minister Nobusuke Kishi since the latter took office eight months ago. Kishi told Faris that Communism is on the wane in Japan. Stuart Griffin

PARIS

Edmond Taylor, The Reporter, and his wife hosted at cocktails in their seventh-floor apartment overlooking the Luxembourg gardens before his departure for Algeria. Ed and his partner, Waverly Root, cracked the Iron Curtain with their flourishing agency, Atlantic Features, when they sold a piece on Francoise Sagan to Nowy Kultura in Poland. The service extends to Japan, Israel and Scandinavia.

Eugene English is back from a swing around Casablanca and Rabat.

Robert Farrell, McGraw-Hill, and his wife will become parents in a few months.

Time-Life editor-in-chief Henry Luce had a private chat with French President Rene Coty, accompanied by correspondent William McHale.

Homer Bigart, N.Y. Times, is probing around in Algeria.

Charles Foltz, U.S. News & World Report, is back in Paris after a trip to Germany. He plans to move on to Britain

before returning to Washington. Harold Callender, N.Y. Times bureau chief, presided at an Anglo-American Press Ass'n. for new secretary-general

of NATO, Paul-Henri Spaak. Association secretary Eric Hawkins, vice-president Frank Kelley (also Past President of OPC), and other OPCers were present.

Bernard S. Redmont

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FRIENDLY FACES--WHEN NEWSMEN GET TOGETHER



Photo: Ann Meuer

"Downholder" Frank Breese (left), former UP staff correspondent in London and Buenos Aires and now editor of National Petroleum News, joined two prominent members of the UP news organization at the recent meeting of former UP staffers -- Bruce Munn (center), former staffer in London and now UN correspondent, and William Higgenbotham, former European news editor and now head of television news. Communications regarding future meetings of the "downholders" should be addressed to Elmer Walzer, c/o United Press, New York. Walzer, financial editor of the UP, organized the meeting on June 28 at Toots Shor's. In <u>The</u> Overseas Press Bulletin feature last week on the "downholders," Arnold Dibble was incorrectly identified as day bureau manager for UP in New York. He formerly held that position; he is now Periscope editor for Newsweek.

NBC NEWS (continued from page 1)

NBC Berlin bureau. He joined NBC in 1950. He was awarded a resident fellowship by the Council on Foreign Relations and after eleven months study at Columbia University rejoined NBC.

In the Far East, Jim Robinson, formerly chief of the Hong Kong bureau, is being shifted to Tokyo to head the NBC operation in Japan. He has been in the Far East for NBC since 1952. Eddie Chan, Robinson's assistant, will take over the Hong Kong bureau.

Because of the increasing importance of news programs, NBC's news department has been separated from the public affairs department and now operates as an independent unit under McAndrew's direction. Davidson Taylor continues as vice president for public affairs and general program executive. Both report to Robert E. Kintner, executive vice president in charge of television programs and sales.

IN MEMORIAM

The Board of Governors notes the anniversary of the death of the Overseas Press Club Founder President, Wythe Williams, today.

It recalls to the membership the great debt of gratitude it owes to its late Founder President and his associates for having had the vision to found a club which, after small beginnings, has steadily and healthily grown into an organization of 1800 members who truly represent the American overseas correspondent.

The history of the Overseas Press Club is unthinkable without the name of Wythe Williams -- a name which will always be held in fond memory by our officers, governors and members.

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LIMITED SPACE OPEN FOR WEST POINT TRIP

A few reservations are still available for the OPC trip to West Point Wednesday, July 17, according to *Joe Peters*, vice chairman of the Special Events Committee.

A program for OPCers has been scheduled by the West Point PRO, Capt. William Bowley. The group will leave by bus from the Clubhouse at 9:30 a.m., arriving at West Point about noon. A picnic lunch will be served after which a short visit will be made to Camp Buckner, the summer training area. Other features: cadet water sports; cadet mass athletic program; brief organ recital in cadet chapel; film preview, "The Making of a Westpointer;" and an interview with the Academy superintendant, Lt. Gen. Garrison Davidson. The bus will leave West Point about 5:30 p.m.

Tickets can be obtained at \$3.00 per person at the Club. Tuesday noon is the deadline for reservations. Only one guest to each member.

PHOTO EXHIBITION OPENS

Twenty-four color prints of Western U.S.A. scenes will go on exhibit at the OPC on Tuesday, July 16. The pictures were taken by staff photographers of the Union Pacific Railroad Company — William A. Coons, Bennett E. Buck, and Richard A. Herre.

The dye transfer prints were processed in the experimental laboratory of the Eastman Kodak Company.

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WHITE BECOMES HEAD OF INS JAPAN KOREA BUREAU



SID WHITE

Sid White was named executive editor of INS for Japan-Korea in an announcement this week by $Barry\ Faris$, INS editor-in-chief.

White will serve under INS Far Eastern director $Marvin\ L.$ Stone in Tokyo headquarters.

A graduate of the University of Michigan where he specialized in Far Eastern studies, White has been with INS in Asia for more than five years. He was manager of the INS bureau in Seoul during the latter stages of the Korean war and more recently has functioned as news editor in the Tokyo bureau.

Faris made the announcement from Tokyo, one of the stops on his round-theworld news survey trip. From Tokyo he will continue to Hong Kong, Karachi, Ankara, Rome, Paris, London and New York.

The appointment of Richard L. Sarno as director of photographic development for INP was announced this week by Kingsbury Smith, INS-INP vice president and general manager.

Sarno, who has been director of photography for the Hearst newspapers since 1945, assumed his new duties July 8.

Sarno will be in charge of picture research and equipment, with emphasis on "the formulation of programs for the continued photographic development and technical improvement of the INP global service," according to the announcement.

In addition to his new duties at INP, Sarno will act as photo consultant to the Hearst newspapers and continue to handle the Hearst newspapers photographic contest.

COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

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Clyde Brown, Rhea Clyman, Alex Faulkner, Harry Kern, Victor Lasky, Harold Lavine, Relman Morin, Gerry Wynne, and Joseph Willicombe. Chairman: Robert Conway; vice chairman: Joseph de Lorenzi.

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DeWitt Davidson, Ben Grauer, Ruth Lloyd, Alvin Perlmutter, Comtesse Lydia Marie Tolstoi, Martha Weinman, Thomas P. Whitney. Chairman: Bill Berns; vice chairman: Larry Lowenstein.

Additional appointments:

John Day, Barry Faris, Herbert Matthews, and Tenold R. Sunde have been appointed to the Freedom of the Press Committee. Walter Rundle is co-Vice Chairman, Louis Lochner, Chairman, announces.

Spencer Valmy has been appointed to the TV-Radio Committee, Matthew Huttner, Chairman announces.

Dan Van Acker has been appointed to the Hospitality Committee, Kathryn Cravens, Chairman, announces.

Larry Newman has been appointed to the Budget Committee, Richard de Rochemont, Chairman, announces.

Herbert Matthews and Don Julio Garzon have been appointed to the Inter-American Affairs Committee, John A. Brogan, Chairman, announces.

George Griswold, Ir., has been appointed to the Archives Committee, Adele Nathan, Chairman, announces.

passport dispute OPC MEMBER WRITES MRS. ROOSEVELT ON CHINA VIEWS

By Geraldine Fitch

The revelation in Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt's syndicated column on June 25 that she had been refused a U.S. passport to visit Red China caused comment in the press of the nation. Mrs. Fitch, who has resided in China for many years, the most recent in Taipei, has written the following letter to Mrs. Roosevelt.

Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt, Hyde Park New York

Dear Mrs. Roosevelt,

As a longtime resident of China I would like to go into this matter of newspeople visiting mainland China, a subject on which I have been trying to clarify my thoughts. I have been thinking about it a lot.

My first feeling, as a writer and newswoman, was like yours: that all correspondents who wished to should be allowed to go there. Besides, I have a longing to see my old home and my Chinese friends. You added a proviso: "if the Chinese will allow them (the newsmen) to enter."

I already know that my wish cannot be fulfilled. I know, you see, that Red Russians (not Chinese) are living in the home we built for our retirement in Shanghai.

Not Normal Conditions

So we must acknowledge that we are not dealing with a normal state of affairs. Perhaps freedom of the press in a world half-slave and half-free should carry a proviso: "No restrictions on newsgathering, or we will by-pass your country!" Just as some nations will accept foreign aid only if no strings are attached.

The strings of Moscow's puppet are fairly obvious. Peiping expects the newsmen to be on strings too. Those to be invited are listed. Editors, and heads of news services with whom I have talked, say they would not tolerate any government choosing their representatives for them. They say they would not accept an invitation with prohibitions, such as the restrictions on visitors to Peiping's "model prison" (which I shall mention in a moment). So all kinds of complications might arise, or if a newsman were too zealous in getting at the truth he might be detained, as was Don Dixon for two years. And with no explanation, as in his case.

Are we not dealing with an enemy and one with whom we are technically at war? Red China took up arms against the United Nations, the very organization for world peace which your late husband did so much to establish. Red China is

still labelled an aggressor by the UN. It was the Chinese Communists, more than the North Koreans, who killed so many of our American boys by death marches, starvation, beatings and sadistic torture. Since they refused to account for hundreds (944, according to General Mark Clark) still living at the time of exchange, can we assume that newsmen will get the truth now?

Giving aid or comfort to an enemy in time of war is one of the most heinous of crimes and a state of war is a bar to newsgathering in enemy country. It seems to me this is the situation now. We have a violated armistice but no peace treaty with the Chinese who fought against us in Korea. We are also in a state of cold war with Communism throughout the world.

People and Patriots

Newsmen like other people must face the question of whether by going to Red China, with or without permission, they give aid and comfort to an enemy. If they are patriots as well as people, and see that it will hurt our country, or make defeat more likely in the cold war, they will abide by present restrictions.

We are told we must recognize the Peiping regime some day. Why? We were told that Manchukuo was a fait accompli. We were told by the Japanese that they would bring China to her knees in six weeks. They hold neither today. I expect to see all China free in my life-time.

We must ask: What could one accomplish by going? What would be impossible of achievement? Would it help the enemy or hurt us?

One might get an idea of some progress, mostly industrial, at a high price in personal freedoms. As Gordon Walker of the *Christian Science Monitor*, and Richard Hughes, British correspondent, have pointed out, one can learn something from people's faces, from the quality, quantity and prices of food and clothing.

But the average newsman visiting Red China would have to use an interpreter. He would be permitted only a Communist one. Most newsmen have not visited China before, and would have little or no background for comparison. (I have seen so-called documentary movies of Red China showing industries "built by the People's Democracy," which I knew were there before). More accurate information about Red China can be obtained in Hongkong, from monitoring the Peiping radio and the Communist newspapers, and from interviewing recent refugees.

It would be impossible behind the Bamboo Curtain to see the farmers who have left their land because of collectivization, or who are starving because of forced shipments of food to pay for Russian planes and guns. Nor could one talk with the 800,000 Mao admits liquidating, or the millions whose executions he has forgotten. One would not be permitted to visit a slave-labor camp, though the UN report on slave-labor in Red China puts the figure at 23 million people.

Of course, much of this applies to Soviet Russia as well, and American newsmen who visit or are stationed there. Many people think it was a mistake to recognize Communist Russia. Be that as it may, we are following your husband's policy as regards Red China; we are "quarantining the aggressor". I thought he was so right, that in speaking against the sale of scrap iron to Japan, I coined a slogan: "Nothing to aggressors; nothing from aggressors".

Selling scrap and oil and chemicals and vehicles to Japan proved to be a direct road to war. Yet from all we hear about trade with Red China today, the free world has not yet learned its lesson about building up an enemy. We pay for our sins with our sons.

This is what may happen: First, newsmen; then trade; admission into UN; US recognition; and then (when the enemy is strong enough) World War III. If we followed your good husband's advice of the Chicago speech, this red plague could not spread throughout the world.

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Geraldine Fitch, Taipei correspondent for The Overseas Press Bulletin, is an accomplished China hand who was formerly a feature writer for the North China Daily News in Shanghai and the New Leader in Formosa. She is also honorary president of Women for Freedom of Europe and a national vice-chairman of the Council Against Communist Aggression. Last December the Nationalist Chinese government awarded her the Order of the Brilliant Star, with cravat. She was also presented with a gold key to the city of Taipei, the second woman to be so honored.

Newsman's Guide To Venezuela

Sketch of country: Venezuela is approximately the size of Texas and Oklahoma combined. It is the world's largest petroleum exporter and second largest petroleum producer (after the United States). There has been tremendous growth since 1935, with the greatest increase occurring since 1950. The country buys more than \$1,000,000,000 per year in goods and services from the U.S., paying cash. It has not requested or received any financial assistance from the U.S. or international lending agencies.

Where newsmen stay: In Caracas, the capital, Hotels Tamanaco, El Conde, Avila and Potomac are the most popular. Hotel del Lago and Hotel Detroit are

headquarters in Maracaibo.

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Where newsmen drink: In the capital, the Hotel Tamanaco, American Club and

Centro Venezolano-Americano are the most popular bars.

Government regulations restricting entry of journalists and filing of copy: There are no special restrictions concerning entry of journalists into the country. There is relatively little interference with copy.

Government information sources: The men to know are Dr. Humberto Spinetti Dini, director of the Information Office, Ministry of Interior; Sr. Pedro Estrada, Director of National Security; Dr. Edmundo Luongo Cabello, Minister of Mines and

Hydrocarbons, and Dr. Enrique Meyer Baldo, National Tourism Director.

Other good people to know: With the U.S. Government are Ambassador Dempster Macintosh; Embassy Counsellor Charles Borrows; Embassy Second Secretaries Hollis Kannenberg (for Oil) and Charles Urrella (for the Venezuelan Scene). Newsmen who will help are AP correspondent Morris Rosenberg; UP correspondent Carlos Villar-Borda, and Caracas Daily Journal Managing Editor Hal Horan. In the industrial field are Walter Donnelly with U.S. Steel; E.A. Bauman with Creole Oil; E.E. Branch with Shell Oil; T. Lumpkin with Mene Grande; and Dr. James Tong with Socony Mobil. George Spiers is president of the American Chamber of Commerce and Arrigo Righi with Pan American Airways will lend a helping hand. See Tony Lutz, also with PAA, for hotel reservations.

"EXCLUSIVE!" HAS SECOND SHOWING

"Exclusive!" the TV series featuring stories by OPCers, had its second preview recently on ABC-TV in Birmingham. Frank Jerome's story of a war ace who turned Trappist Monk was called "an exciting and dramatic yarn" by Variety.



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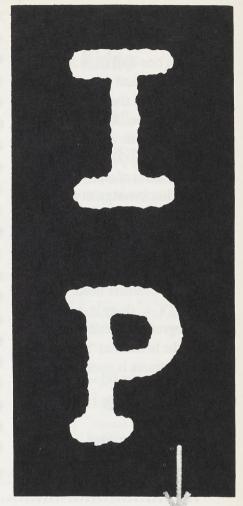
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AFFILIATE

Robert A. Carter

OP Cers are invited to attend briefings at Radio Liberation's studios in Munich. Radio Liberation broadcasts to the Soviet Union in Russian and seventeen other Soviet languages. Advance arrangements can be made in New York by contacting Spencer Williams, of the American Committee for Liberation, 6 E. 45 St., Telephone: MU 2-639 2.

BOARD VOTES (continued from p. 1)

discussions are being held.

A letter from Talent Associates said they were interested in the proposal and suggested time on a major network. The Club expects to receive \$75,000 if the project develops satisfactorily. The Club would be expected to supply bigname talent.

The Board also supported the House Operations Committee in declining to accept over-all Princeton club patronage during August, when the neighboring club usually closes. Chairman Larry Newman observed that the Princeton Club this year is keeping its bar open, thus offering the OPC solely the restaurant business which is usually unprofitable. Furthermore, OPC's own business will probably fill the facilities.

President *Cecil Brown*, who recently returned from Russia, presided at the meeting.

OPC Past President William P. Gray, editor of Life International, is author of a six-page spread in Life telling of his fifty-day tour through Europe and the Middle East. He visited twenty major cities.

TREASURER'S A

Operations for the month of May resulted in a net loss of \$1,483 (without taking into account initiation fees of \$175 credited to surplus), compared with a loss of \$201 in April, according to

Treasurer A. Wilfred May.

"This unfavorable showing was largely due to a steep increase in payroll and related expenses resulting from the engagement of new employees and overtime because of expanded Club activities," May reports.

Net working capital stood at \$110,200 on May 31, which has since been reduced by \$2,600 expended for the Club's new carpeting, he says.



"...and that concludes the Treasurer's report."

Christian Science Monitor



CHINA--- (Continued from page 4)

You and your husband had "long wanted to visit China". But the only part of China where basic freedoms exist today—freedom of assembly, worship, expression, election, of choosing a job or changing it, of moving about without a pass—is in the one province of Taiwan, on the island of Formosa. Surely you would not visit Communist China and not Free China? Would it not be more courteous to first repay Madame Chiang Kai-shek's visit to you before going to see her sister in the Communist government?

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When you were in Hongkong a few years ago, my husband urged you to make the three-hour flight to Taipei. You said it would mean seeing "the discredited Chiang Kai-shek". (I see you still think his was "undoubtedly a bad government".) We both felt you were the victim of the same kind of propaganda which slandered your good husband during World War II. I used to be saddened at the "hate Roosevelt" cult directed against the president of our country. Don't you feel like meeting the president of the Chinese Republic who always believed your husband was a true friend of China, despite the disappointments of the war and the way things went at Yalta? Especially since every one who knows him, from General Marshall to Admiral Radford, and from Secretary Dulles to Walter Robertson, holds him in high esteem?

Dr. Stuart Kirby, member of a recent British educational mission to Red China from the University of Hongkong, said, "Visitors are easily cheated because they have no knowledge of the China mainland before". He is an old China hand, who speaks both Chinese and Russian fluently. He added, "Communism is not a creative system; it has failed in China, and that fact should be proclaimed to Southeast Asia and the world."

When the Attlee party visited Peiping, its members were taken through the "model prison", but told they could not speak to the prisoners. The daughter of old friends of ours, an American Fulbright scholar, was a prisoner at the time. Later the Communists said to her: "See! Those people did not speak to you. The outside world cares nothing about you. We are your only friends." Reportedly, she broke at that time, began hysterically singing Communist songs and later came home mentally unbalanced.

I feel deeply that we have no right to pull the rug from under the Republic of China again, lose the allegiance of the thirteen million overseas Chinese, and extinguish the last hope of those behind the Bamboo Curtain. We cannot afford to let any act of ours be misconstrued as putting a stamp of approval on the Peiping regime unless it restores freedom to the mainland millions.

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